SCREW PINE (Pandanus Utilis)

so called from the spiral arrangement of the leaves on the stem. They are easily identified by their prop-like roots which slant obliquely toward the ground giving added strength to a slender palm-like trunk. This view was taken in McKee Jungle Gardens.

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begin their growth usually upon palms, germinating in some crevice on the trunk, developing a stem from which aerial roots wind about their host tree, growing downward to take root. The host tree may persist for years, but ultimately it is strangled to death.

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